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INCREASE OF ALLOCATION OF POWER FOR RAJASTHAN
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Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether RAPP Unit-I has been put under prolonged shutdown since September,2000 for a period of at least three months resulting in loss of generation of about 35 lac units per day to Rajasthan;

(b) whether due to deficient rains resulting in lower availability of water in the reservoirs of the BBMB complex the availability of power from this source is likely to be lower by approximately 15 lac units per day; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRIMATI JAYAWANTI MEHTA)

(a) : Unit-I (100 MW) of the Rajasthan Atomic Power Station has been taken undershut down from 26th September, 2000 for annual maintenance for partial replacement of coolant channels. During the shutdown, light water leak was detected in its north end shield. Rectification work is in progress and the unit is expected by mid May, 2001. Before shut down, this unit was generating about 86 MUs per month.

(b) & (c) : The reservoir levels of Bhakra and Pong in 2000-2001 were lowest duringthe last seven years and ten years respectively. The monsoon rainfall in the country during 2000-2001 was 93% of normal as per Indian Meteorological Department (IMD).During April 2000 − February 2001, there was overall shortfall of 3.2% in hydel generation from the Hydro Electric Stations of BBMB.